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*CROSS-REFERENCE TO A RELATED APPLICATION*

The invention described and claimed hereinbelow is also described in German Patent Application DE 20 2004 001 008.9 filed on January 23, 2004. This German Patent Application, whose subject matter is incorporated here by reference, provides the basis for a claim of priority of invention under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).

Page 2, cancel the paragraph in lines 1-9 and substitute therefore the following:

*SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION*

In view of this the aim of the invention is to modify an auditory ossicle prosthesis of the type described in the introduction in such a way that the transmission of sound between the middle ear area and the inner ear of the

human auditory canal is considerably improved, whereby, in particular, optimum adaptation to the individually different circumstances and tailor-made solutions to the problems and deficiencies in the patient in the question are made possible.

Page 8, between lines 30 and 32, insert:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 9, between lines 28 and 30, insert:

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS